

Psalm 58 Mich-tam of David

King James Version (KJV) (Mich-tam – To cut into or engrave in your mind)

58 Do ye indeed speak righteousness, O congregation? do ye judge uprightly, O ye sons of men? (congregation= silence or mute justice
-> Bad translation here in the KJV)

²Yea, in heart ye work wickedness; ye weigh the violence of your hands in the earth. (David speaks against Absalom)

³The wicked are estranged from the womb: they go astray as soon as they be born, speaking lies.

⁴Their poison is like the poison of a serpent: they are like the deaf adder that stoppeth her ear; (Serpent is a type for Satan)

⁵Which will not hearken to the voice of charmers, charming never so wisely. (Translation -> even if the charmer is talented and wise)

⁶Break their teeth, O God, in their mouth: break out the great teeth of the young lions, O LORD. (David asking for vengeance)

⁷Let them melt away as waters which run continually: when he bendeth his bow to shoot his arrows, let them be as cut in pieces.

⁸As a snail which melteth, let every one of them pass away: like the untimely birth of a woman, that they may not see the sun.

⁹Before your pots can feel the thorns, he shall take them away as with a whirlwind, both living, and in his wrath.

¹⁰The righteous shall rejoice when he seeth the vengeance: he shall wash his feet in the blood of the wicked. (At judgment day)

¹¹So that a man shall say, Verily there is a reward for the righteous: verily he is a God that judgeth in the earth. (Only God judges righteously – not man)

To the chief musician, Al-tas-chith (Destroy not)

Amnon raped Tamar, and Absalom killed him for it. He was then a fugitive for 2 years – wrongly. When he returned, he turned on David, and usurped the throne. David fled, rather than starting a civil war in Jerusalem. Both men wrongly judged the other – David and Absalom

